

USACE FINANCE CENTER  
BIWEEKLY REPORT  
PERIOD ENDING 2 APRIL 1999

**CEFMS:**

CEFMS ISSUES:

a. We have raised the CEFMS Y2K Certification Level, which is recorded in the DA Y2K Database from Level 3 to Level 2, based on the DSCRM's 30 March 1999 approval of the required documentation. The DA Y2K Database will be updated by HQUSACE DIM to reflect the CEFMS Level 2 Certification. Our action to raise the certification level was based on a recommendation from USAAA who observed our Y2K test and reviewed all the results and documentation. We believe the higher certification level will provide CEFMS users a greater degree of confidence that CEFMS will provide continuous operation as we cross the 1 January 2000 threshold.

b. We are still receiving problem reports in response to our 11 February 1999 memorandum, subject; CFO Show Stoppers, which requested all USACE locations to classify existing problem reports related to the CFO into two new categories. To date 237 problems reports have been identified in the two categories. We have received 83 problem reports relating to the CFO Asset Reconciliation. The suspense given to the districts to complete this reconciliation was 31 March 1999. We have completed 82 of the 83 problem reports. The remaining problem report was submitted by the Tulsa District. We are continuing to work that one. We have received 154 problem reports related to other CFO issues which have a required completion date of 31 May 1999. Corrective action has been completed for 72 of these 154 problems.

c. We released the new version of Warehouse Inventory Screen 2.53 for Logistics which provided new fields for the CAGE and Manufacturer's Part Number. New data elements were added to the Warehouse Inventory Resource(WIR) table to correspond with these screen fields. There are no system edits performed on either of these fields and no list screen is provided for either field. Both fields are optional and the system will allow updates to existing inventory resource code records, i.e. user can query existing records and input values for the Cage Code and Manufacturer's Part Number.

d. Other CEFMS Items of Interest.

(1) We released the report on Superfund Project Identification of travel expenditures on 1 April 1999. The requirement, continuing need for this report has been articulated in several pieces of correspondence received from the Environmental Division, Directorate of Military Programs, over the last few months.

(2) We are continuing to monitor the OCONUS databases for occurrences of "penny rounding" problems. We have **NOT** identified a "new" penny rounding problem since we released the corrected code in mid March.

PROBLEM REPORTS/IMBALANCES:

a. The open problem report inventory is 1,169--the same as the last report. The inventory includes 206 Priority #1 problem reports. The open inventory also includes 99 problem reports related to the CEFMS Modernization/GUI work management effort.

b. Twenty (20) of the sixty-three databases have no imbalances, two (2) have one, four (4) have two, five (5) have three, another twenty-one (21) sites have nine or less. Eleven (11) sites have more than ten.

**ACCOUNTING OPERATIONS:**

CONSOLIDATION OF OPERATING FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING FUNCTIONS:

UPCOMING CONSOLIDATIONS:

a. The next location to be consolidated is Baltimore District effective 1 May 1999.

b. The last site(s) HECSA (servicing the NCR sites) will be consolidated on 1 August 1999.

NUMBER AND LOCATION OF ON BOARD PERSONNEL:

<u>LOCATION:</u>	<u>NUMBER:</u>
Huntsville	25
Millington	261
Washington	2
Other	1
DA Interns (Millington)	5
Total	294

DISBURSING WORKLOAD DATA:

PAYMENTS BY CHECK:	As of 02/28/99	Current Month (March)	Year to Date
Checks Issued	106,447	26,752	133,199
Dollar Amount	\$1,662,280,799	\$454,199,932	\$2,116,480,731

  

BY EFT:			
Transfers Made	28,014	9,556	37,570
Dollar Amount	\$992,680,084	\$252,352,506	\$1,245,032,590

OTHER UFC ISSUES:

a. Earlier this week we released four documents related to Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) to all USACE Finance & Accounting Officers. Those documents are:

(1) Instructions for implementing EFT at the activity and the report to be submitted to the UFC by 21 May 1999.

(2) Original HQUSACE (CERM-F) policy letter on EFT implementation.

(3) UFC guidance to supported activities on implementing EFT.

(4) SQL queries that will assist with the report to the UFC with an explanation of each query. These documents will also be posted on the UFC Home Page under Directorate - Accounting Operations.

b. Ms. Annette Epperson, USACE Program Coordinator for Payroll, recently visited the DFAS-Denver Payroll Office. From our perspective this was a very beneficial effort. Due to the recent Defense Civilian Pay System (DCPS) program changes, they primarily worked security issues; cleaning up old user-ids and combining user-ids so the Customer Service Representatives (CSRs) will only have one user-id for input and one user-id for transmitting T&As. In preparation for the 28 April Pittsburgh District meeting on divers pay, Ms. Epperson is reviewing DFAS-Denver's spreadsheets and has requested that the formulas and calculations be reflected for each diver. DFAS-Denver has completed the re-computation for 13 of the 20 divers.

c. Other USACE Finance Center Items of Interest.

(1) We are in the process of developing CEEMIS training/presentation for the Corps-wide Manpower IPR in Springfield Va. on the 7&8th of April 1999.

(2) We deployed the Finance Centers Access Request/Approval Tracking System to two Beta test sites, CEHEC and CESAM.

(3) Eight additional USACE Activities will be transitioned to the latest version of IATS (5.1.2) on 1 Apr 99. The remaining UFC supported sites are scheduled to convert to the new version on 1 May 99.

(4) We are preparing for the 4<sup>th</sup> CFO Analysis and correction Workshop that is scheduled to be conducted here at the UFC 19-23 April. Attendees will be from SAC, SPA, SPD, SPL, SPK, SPN, POF, POD, and POH.

(5) We completed the second EM/RM training session for 1999. In addition, we provided basic CEFMS training for members of emergency ice and water Planning and Response Teams to assist them with the actions they need to perform within CEFMS.

(6) We are in the process of updating the Information Technology Investment Portfolio System (ITIPS) for the FY99 through 01 submission due Friday, 2 April. Our ITIPS submission covers both CEFMS and CEEMIS.